

## **Community Profile for**

# Fairmont, Minnesota



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#### Overview

Fairmont has a favorable business climate for companies to grow and prosper, and is an excellent community for raising a family. Access to the world is made possible by digital switching controlled locally with a newly installed fiber optic telecommunications system. Fairmont has a trained workforce, commercial sites, rail access, two interstate interchanges and an airport that accommodates most private jet traffic. Most importantly, a community attitude that says YES to innovative positive business growth.

#### Location

County: Martin
Region: South Central

Distance from Minneapolis: 120

Distance from nearest MSA\*: 105 Miles from Rochester MSA

US Congressional District: 1
MN Legislative District(s): 24A

Web site: <u>www.fairmont.org</u>

Last Updated: 7/9/2010

#### Population

Area	2008 Estimate	2007 Estimate	2000 Census	1990 Census
Community:	10,686	10,675	10,889	11,265
County:	20,637	20,731	21,802	22,914
Nearest MSA:	183,305	181,603	124,277	106,470
Minnesota:	5,287,976	5,263,610	4,919,479	4,375,099

Source: U.S. Census, State Demographer \* Metropolitan Statistical Area



Major Employers			
Employer	NAICS	Products/Services	Employee Count
Fairmont Medical Center-Mayo Health Systems	6221	General Medical & Surgical Hospitals	683
Weigh Tronix Inc.	334513	Instruments & Related Prod. Mfg. for Measuring, Displaying, & Con	364
Fairmont Foods of MN	3114	Fruit & Vegetable Preserving & Spec. Food Mfg.	300
Lakeview Methodist Health Care Facility	6231	Nursing Care Facilities	250
REM Heartland	6214	Outpatient Care Centers	245
3M	322222	Coated & Laminated Paper Mfg.	125
Aerospace Systems Div	3359	Other Electrical Equipment & Component Mfg.	120
Harsco Track	3365	Railroad Rolling Stock Manufacturing	120
MRCI/Tri-County Industries	3332	Industrial Machinery Manufacturing	120
		Resin, Synth. Rubber & Art. Synth. Fibers & Fil.	



Source: DEED - Labor Market Information: LAUS Annual Average 2009

Hancor Inc	3252	Mfg.	80
Center for Specialty Care	6221	General Medical & Surgical Hospitals	50
Rosen's Inc	4246	Chemical & Allied Products Merchant Wholesalers	40
View All Employers Listed			

## Workforce

	Martin County	South Central (9)
		Econ Dev Region
Total Employment	10,764	121,820
Available Workforce	11,675	132,119
Unemployment Rate	7.8%	7.8%

## **Employment By Industry**

	Martin County	South Central (9)
		Econ Dev Region
Natural Resources and Mining	360	2,754
Construction	197	3,741
Manufacturing	1,550	18,873
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	2,196	18,617
Information	123	2,114
Financial Activities	362	3,609
Professional and Business Services	411	5,557
Education and Health Services	1,764	17,190
Leisure and Hospitality	834	8,335
Other Services	220	3,001
Government	1,392	16,397
	N/A - No	Data Available

Source: DEED - Labor Market Information: CEW Annual Data 2009

## Occupations and Wages in Southwest Minnesota

Job Title	Wage/Hr	Job Title	Wage/Hr
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	\$26.08	Healthcare Support Occupations	\$11.14
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	\$15.69	Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	\$18.13
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	\$11.28	Legal Occupations	\$23.47
<b>Business and Financial Operations Occupations</b>	\$22.80	Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	\$23.79
Community and Social Services Occupations	\$16.96	Management Occupations	\$36.31
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	\$27.04	Office and Administrative Support Occupations	\$13.50
Construction and Extraction Occupations	\$18.38	Personal Care and Service Occupations	\$11.01
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	\$19.73	Production Occupations	\$13.80
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	\$12.91	Protective Service Occupations	\$16.77
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	\$8.86	Sales and Related Occupations	\$9.94



Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations

\$23.74 Transportation and Material Moving Occupations

\$13.19

View All Occupations and Wages

 $Source: DEED - Labor\ Market\ Information:\ OES\ Second\ Quarter,\ 2010$ 

**Utilities** 

**Utility Type Utility Name Utility Phone** Contact **Contact Phone** Electricity Southern Minnesota Municipal Power (507) 285-0478 Larry Johnston (507) 285-0478 Natural Gas Minnesota Energy Resources Corp Rory Lenton 1-800-889-9508 1-800-889-9508 Fairmont Municipal Utilities Comm Wastewater (507) 238-9461 Butch Hybbert (507) 235-6502 Water Fairmont Municipal Utilities Comm (507) 238-9461 **Butch Hybbert** (507) 235-6789

Water Information Wastewater Information

Water Source: Surface Water
Storage Capacity: 5,400,000 gal.

Pumping Capacity: 3,000 gal./minute
Average Demand: 1,571,659 gal./day

Peak Demand: 2,228,000 gal./day

Total Water Hardness: 85 ppm

Industrial Water Rate: Base chg. \$10.50; \$1.80/100CF

Treatment Type: Mechanical Plant
Capacity of Plant: 3,900,000 gal./day
Average Flow: 1,857,500 gal./day
Peak Flow: 5,180,000 gal./day
Usage Charge: \$2.41/100CF

#### **Communications**

#### **Telephone Information**

Local Telephone Company: Frontier Communications

Telephone Number: 1-800-953-1504
Contact: Lana Luoma

Telephone Number: (952) 891-2583
Digital Central Switch: Yes

Equal Access Market:YesExtended Area Service:YesCustom Calling Feautures:YesCustomized Local Area Services:Yes

Current Technologies: DSL, T1, Fiber Optics

**Internet Service** 

Local Public Internet Access Site:

Multiple Internet Service Providers:

Yes

Yes

Speed of Service: High-Speed Fiber Optic

DEED Certification as E-Commerce Ready:

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No



**Cable TV Information** 

Local Company Telephone Website

Charter Communications (507) 235-9629

**Newspapers Information** 

Newspaper NameTelephoneFrequencyFairmont Photo Press(507) 238-9456WeeklyFairmont Sentinel(507) 235-3303Daily

**Additional Telecommunication Providers** 

Telecommunication Type Provider Name Phone

## **Commercial Transportation & Shipping**

**Highway Information** 

Interstate Miles From Community Load Limit in Tons Seasonal Limit In Tons

I-35 58 10 I-90 Within 10

Four Lane Miles From Community Load Limit in Tons Seasonal Limit In Tons

MN-15 Within 10

Other Miles From Community Load Limit in Tons Seasonal Limit In Tons

**Truck Information** 

Truck Lines: 4
Truck Terminals: 2

**Navigable Water Information** 

Water Name Depth

**Rail Information** 

Inter-Modal Facility: No

Inter-Modal Facility Distance:

Rail Line Frequency Reciprocal Switching Distance to Main Line Passenger Service

C-P Daily Yes 0 No Union Pacific Daily Yes No

**Air Service Information** 

International Local Service Regional

Name Rochester Intl. Airport Fairmont Municipal Airport

Local

Location Rochester Fairmont

Miles to 105 0

Longest Runway Length9,033 Feet5,502 FeetSurface TypePavedPavedLightedYesYesCustomsYesNo

Service Type Charter, Commercial, Freight, Jet Commercial, Freight, Jet

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Navigational Aids Weather Info Systems Major Airlines BEACON, ILS, VOR/DME
AWOSA/MNWAS, SATVIDEOWEATHER
American Eagle, Delta, Allegiant Air, Federal
Express

BEACON, ILS, VOR/DME AWOSA/MNWAS Great Lakes Airlines, United Express

Daily Flights To MSP-Minneapolis-St. Paul Intl.:

#### **Additional Commercial Transportation Providers**

Transportation Type Provider Name Phone

## **Housing & Commercial Activity**

#### **Housing Information**

Single Family Units:	4,702	Percentage Owner Occupied:	72
Multiple Family Units:	1,230	Median Sales Price:	\$97,235.00
Mobile Homes:	88	Median Assessed Value:	\$90,000
Number of Units Built Since Last Census:	2	Median Rent:	\$300
Number of Residential Building Permits for 2009:	322	Vacancy Rate:	6
Value of Residential Building Permits for 2009:	\$2,119,452		

Source: US Census

#### **Commercial Activity Information**

Number of Commercial Building Permits for 2009: 57

Value of Commercial Building Permits for 2009: \$21,865,579

Number of Public Building Permits for : Value of Public Building Permits for :

#### **Retail Sales Information**

Year	Community Sales	<b>County Sales</b>
2007	\$151,162,929	\$265,467,933
2006	\$152,919,052	\$255,333,355
2005	\$153,663,501	\$245,293,927

Source: MN Dept. of Revenue

## **Business & Community Services**

#### **Financial Institutions Information**

Name	Phone	Total Assets	Capital as % of Assets
US Bancorp	(800)872-2657	\$165,000,000,000	
Bank Midwest MN-IA NA	(507) 235-3327	\$336,500,000	
Profinium Financial	(507) 235-5538	\$136,317,000	

View All Financial Institutions



#### **Lodging & Meeting Facilities Information**

Facility	Number of Facilities Available	Facility Size	Teleconferencing Available	Teleconferencing Available to Public
Hotel	0		No	No
Motel	6	293 rooms	No	No
Conference Center	1	400 rooms	No	No

#### **Additional Lodging & Meeting Facilities**

Facility TypeFacility NamePhoneConference CenterFairmont High School507-238-4411

#### **Local Medical Facilities Information**

Facility Type	Nbr of Facilities	Total Nbr of Beds	Telemedicine Available
Clinic	4		Yes
Dentist	17		No
Doctor	75		Yes
Hospital	1		Yes
Nursing Home	2		No

Name of Nearest Hospital (if none in community):

Miles to Nearest Hospital:

#### **Additional Local Medical Facilities**

Facility Type Facility Name Phone Telemedicine Available

#### **Local Transit Information**

Service	Available	Service	Available
Inter-Community Bus	Yes	Taxi/Cab	Yes
Intra-Community Bus	Yes	Disabled Transportation	Yes

#### **Local Transit Providers**

Transit TypeNamePhoneInter-City BusJefferson Bus Lines507-235-5547

Taxi/Cab Fairlakes Transportation, Inc.

## **Library Information**

Name Phone Internet Access

Martin County Public Library Yes
Traverse des Sioux Library System Yes

## **Worship Information**

Worship Type Worship Name Phone Membership



#### **Recreation Information**

#### **Facilities**

Five interconnected lakes within city limits, 23 parks-including skate park, aquatic park, new soccer fields in 2001, city-wide recreational program, indoor hockey, historic opera house, civic summer theater, 2 golf courses, 2 athletic clubs, theaters, car races, tennis, yacht club, amateur baseball.

#### Festival/Arts

Classic Car Show & Interlaken Heritage Days in June, Friday in the Park June thru August, Fairmont Glows in December, Martin County Fair in August, Fishing Tournaments, summer band concerts.

#### Service Organizations

Fairmont has many organizations including American Legion, VFW, Jaycees, Rotary Club, Kiwanis, Lions, Exchange Club, Toastmasters, Women of Today and Sertoma.

#### Education

#### **Post-Secondary Information**

Nearest Technical College & SpecialtyLocationMiles ToMN West Community & Technical College-JacksonJackson26

Minnesota West Community and Technical College is a comprehensive community and technical college with five southwestern Minnesota campuses: Canby, Granite Falls, Jackson, Pipestone, and Worthington and three learning centers in Fairmont, Luverne and Marshall. Students have the opportunity to earn an Associate Degree, Diploma, or Certificate in more than 60 disciplines. Minnesota West has a long standing tradition of providing quality liberal arts/transfer and technical education. We offer programs with degrees that transfer to baccalaureate-granting institutions and also two-year degrees and certificates that allow a student quicker entry into the workforce. Some programs and many classes may be taken online. 8/08

Nearest Community College & SpecialtyLocationMiles ToRiverland Community CollegeAlbert Lea / Austin / Owatonna50

In 1995, Riverland Community College, as we know it today, merged Albert Lea's South Central Technical College, Austin Community College, Austin's Riverland Technical College and its Owatonna training center, creating our greatest strength - a comprehensive community college. Instead of acting as simply a technical college or community college, we are both. This distinction allows us to provide more services to the communities we serve. Riverland offers more than 50 technical certificate, diploma, and degree options in the Associate of Arts, Sciences, Applied Science, and Fine Arts degrees. Our Minnesota Transfer Curriculum courses transfer credits to other Minnesota colleges and universities. In southeastern Minnesota, Riverland has developed a variety of services in farm and small business management, as well as customized training for companies and businesses. We strive to align ourselves with the communities we serve and the higher education needs of Minnesota while remaining a sophisticated powerhouse of technical and transfer education. 8/08

Nearest Public College/University & SpecialtyLocationMiles ToMinnesota State University, MankatoMankato50

Minnesota State University Mankato offers six academic colleges: Allied Health and Nursing; Arts and Humanities; Business; Education; Science, Engineering & Technology; and Social and Behavioral Sciences. There are 158 undergraduate programs of study and 82 graduate programs resulting in bachelor's, master's, associate or specialist degrees; graduate certificates; applied doctorates anticipated for 2007. Most popular programs: Nursing/Pre-Nursing; Elementary Ed; Management; Marketing; Construction Management; Computer Info Science; Law Enforcement; Accounting; Psychology; Biology. Distinctive programs: Accelerated Option Nursing; Automotive Engineering Technology; Civil Engineering; cross-disciplinary undergraduate and graduate degrees; MFA in Creative Writing; MFA in Forensics/Speech Communication; Rapid Response Teacher Education; Technical Writing Graduate Certificate; BFA in Musical Theatre. Founded in 1868, Mankato U has approximately 14,000 students with 1,700 faculty and staff. 8/08

Nearest Private College/University & SpecialtyLocationMiles ToGustavus Adolphus CollegeSt. Peter68

Gustavus Adolphus College is a church-related, residential liberal arts college firmly rooted in its Swedish and Lutheran heritage.



The College offers students of high aspiration and promise a liberal arts education of recognized excellence provided by faculty who embody the highest standards of teaching and scholarship. The Gustavus curriculum is designed to bring students to mastery of a particular area of study within a general framework that is both interdisciplinary and international in perspective. Bachelor of Arts offered; 75 majors in 24 academic dpts and 3 interdisciplinary programs. Average class size is 15 and student/faculty ratio is 12:1. 8/08

Telecommunications Use Available at Area Post-Secondary Institutions:

Yes

#### **Local K-12 Information**

School Type	Nbr of Schools	Enrollment	Grades	Pupil/Teacher Ratio
Elementary	1	381	K-2	17:1
Middle School	1	477	3-6	17:1
Junior High	1			
Senior High	1	921	7-12	17:1
Private/Parochial	2	400	PreK-8	17:1

School District:	2752
Telecommunications Use Available at Local K-12:	Yes
High School Graduates Attending Post-Secondary:	75%
State Wide Average:	68%

#### **Education Institutions**

Education Type	Name	Phone
Community College	Riverland Community College - Fairmont Campus	1-800-247-5039
Community College	Minnesota West Community and Technical College - Fairmon	<u>t</u> 507-235-3385
Community College	South Central College - Fairmont Campus	507-389-7200
Private College	Presentation College - Fairmont Campus	507-235-4658
Private College	St. Mary's - Fairmont	507-452-4430

#### Government

#### **Structure Information**

Organization:Mayor\CouncilBudget:\$30,000,000Community Bond Rating:Moody's - - Aa2

Comprehensive Land Use Plan:YesLocally Controlled Loan Program:YesRecycling:YesFire Insurance Rating:5

Industrial Plans Approved By: City Building Official



#### **Public Protection Services**

Service Type	Regular	Part-Time	Volunteer	Seasonal
Fire			32	
Police	18	2		
Sheriff	24	4		
EMT			6	

## **Property Taxes**

## Payable 2008

<b>Property Tax Information</b>		Assessed Market Value Information
State Tax Rate	45.95%	Commercial \$366,540,693
Municipal Tax Rate	41.62%	Residential \$122,518,233
County Tax Rate	43.88%	Other \$85,593,222
School Tax Rate	17.78%	<b>Total</b> \$574,652,148
Misc. Tax Rate	0.52%	
Total Tax Rate	149.75%	

Minnesota commercial real estate taxes are based upon market value of taxable property as set by the local assessor. To calculate the tax for the current year, first compute the tax capacity by multiplying all property value up to \$150,000\$ times .015, plus any value over \$150,000\$ times .02. Example: net tax capacity on a \$200,000\$ business property: (<math>\$150,000\$ X .015) + (<math>\$50,000\$ X .02) = <math>\$2,250 + \$1,000 = \$3,250. Tax capacity times the tax rate equals taxes owed. Commercial and industrial property must also pay a state property tax, which is equal to the tax capacity times the State Tax Rate.

In some localities where voters have approved referendums, an additional referendum tax must be added, calculated by multiplying the referendum tax rate times the total market value of the commercial property.

Please note: Specific property tax classifications and computations can be more complex and result in different tax amounts. This simplified explanation applies in the most general situations and will allow a business to roughly estimate its potential property tax burden. The county assessor or auditor may be able to answer questions about specific properties and uses.

#### **Commercial Buildings and Land Sites**

Building Name Address City, State Zip Code	Type of Building Total Bldg Sqft Total Available	Contact Name Organization Phone Number	JOBZone	Photo
Bryran's Phamacy Building 1108 East Blue Earth Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031	Office 2,092 2,092	Dale A Schumann CENTURY 21 Northland Realty (507) 238-4796	e.	-8
Fairmont Business Development Center 426 Winnebago Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031	Industrial 11,900 3,500	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	e.	-
Kahler Automation 909 Winnebago Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031	Industrial 9,300 9,300	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	e.	-
LAKE AVE. OFFICE/RETAIL 222-228 Lake Ave. Fairmont, MN 56031	Office 6,651 6,651	Jeff Greischar COLDWELL BANKER COMMECIAL FISHER GROUP (507) 625-4715	r.	-
Southern MN Seed Cleaning	Industrial	Mike Humpal		•



601 N. Elm Street Fairmont, MN 56031	7,000 7,000	Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461		-8	
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Land Site Address City, State Zip Code	Space Available Build To Suit Zoning	Contact Name Organization Phone Number	JOBZone	Photo
JOBZ Subzone #84 Fairmont Industrial Park Fairmont, MN 56031	30.0 Acres Yes Light Manufacturing	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	JOB7	-
JOBZ Subzone #86 Fairmont Industrial Park Fairmont, MN 56031	19.5 Acres Yes Light Manufacturing	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	JOBZ JMINNESOTA	•
JOBZ Subzone #89 Robert Schweiger Property Fairmont, MN 56031	20.0 Acres Yes Industrial	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	JOB Z	•
JOBZ Subzone #90 Meschke Property Fairmont, MN 56031	33.0 Acres Yes	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	JOB Z	
JOBZ Subzone #92 Tech Builders Property Fairmont, MN 56031	1.9 Acres Yes Light Manufacturing	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	JOB Z	· ***
JOBZ Subzone#85 Avery Weigh Tronix Fairmont, MN 56031	8.5 Acres Yes Light Manufacturing	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	JOB Z	
CENTER CREEK COMMONS Lot 1, Block 1 Hwy. 15 Fairmont, MN 56031	1.5 Acres Commercial	Jeff Greischar COLDWELL BANKER COMMERCIAL FISHER GROUP (507) 625-4715	e.	F
CENTER CREEK COMMONS Lot 1, Block 3 Hwy. 15 Fairmont, MN 56031	1.4 Acres Commercial	Jeff Greischar COLDWELL BANKER COMMERCIAL FISHER GROUP (507) 625-4715	e.	F
CENTER CREEK COMMONS Lot 1, Block 4 Hwy. #15 Fairmont, MN 56031	1.6 Acres Commercial	Jeff Greischar FISHER GROUP (507) 625-4715	P.	·
CENTER CREEK COMMONS Lot 2, Block 1 Hwy. #15 Fairmont, MN 56031	2.6 Acres Commercial	Jeff Greischar COLDWELL BANKER COMMECIAL FISHER GROUP (507) 625-4715	e.	
CENTER CREEK COMMONS Lot 2, Block 3 Hwy. #15 Fairmont, MN 56031	1.4 Acres Commercial	Jeff Greischar COLDWELL BANKER COMMECIAL FISHER GROUP (507) 625-4715	P.	
CENTER CREEK COMMONS Mar-Jo 4th		Jeff Greischar		



Addition Hwy. #15 Fairmont, MN 56031	1.1 Acres Commercial	COLDWELL BANKER COMMECIAL FISHER GROUP (507) 625-4715	e.	· <del>-                                     </del>
Fairmont Industrial Park C.S.A.H. No. 26 Fairmont, MN 56031	69.0 Acres Yes Industrial	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	e.	e.
George Loewenberg Addition Loewenberg Drive Fairmont, MN 56031	14.0 Acres Yes Commercial	Mike Humpal Fairmont Economic Development Authority (507) 238-9461	e.	e.
HWY 15 LAND Highway 15 Fairmont, MN 56031	66,300.0 Acres	David Schooff COLDWELL BANKER COMMECIAL FISHER GROUP (507) 625-4715	r	

#### **Economic Development Services**

Economic Development Authority: Yes Incentives

Housing Redevelopment Authority: Yes County Development Corporation: No Chamber of Commerce: Yes County Development Corporation: Yes County Development Corporation: Yes County Development Corporation: No Chamber of Commerce: Yes Commerce: Yes County Development Content of Commerce Yes County Development Content of Commerce Yes County Development County

Port Authority: No

**Contact Information** 

Michael Humpal, CEcD Randy Quiring Jim Zarling Assistant City Administrator Mayor City Administrator Fairmont, City of Fairmont, City of Fairmont, City of 100 Downtown Plaza 100 Downtown Plaza 100 Downtown Plaza Fairmont, MN 56031 Fairmont, MN 56031 Fairmont, MN 56031 (507) 238-9461 (507) 238-9461 (507) 238-9461

**Economic Development Organizations** 

Type Name Phone Fax

EDA <u>Fairmont EDA</u> 507-238-9461 507-238-9469

**Disaster & Emergency Services** 

Name Phone Number(s)

 Public Safety emergency resources
 1-800-422-0798 or metro 651-649-5451

 Federal Emergency Management Agency
 Region V FEMA 312-408-5500

<u>Small Business Administration Disaster Resources</u> Disaster Area Offices 404-347-3771

<u>Jim Zarling</u> 507-238-9461

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